

REMARKS

New claims 50 through 61 are provided. These new claims are based upon the disclosure appearing at column 19, lines 17 through 65. Claims 50-58 claim a bonus game played from the viewpoint of a single gaming machine. Claims 59-61 claim a system of interlinked gaming machines.

In each independent claim, the resulting bonus payoff is based upon when a bonus multiplier is received and a game payoff occurs resulting from play of the gaming machine. This is fully discussed throughout the specification and in particular, at column 7, lines 1 through 5.

Should you have any questions regarding the above, please feel free to give the below-listed attorney a call. If additional fees are required, please debit our Deposit Account No. 04-1414.

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